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## POSSIBLE CSS-4 ICBM SILOS UNDER CONSTRUCTION JINGXIAN, CHINA

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- 1. (SWN) SIGNIFICANCE: TWO NEW POSSIBLE CSS-4 ICBM SILOS AND NEW SUPPORT FACILITIES HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED NEAR JINGXIAN IN SOUTH CENTRAL CHINA.
- 2. (SWN) REMARKS: TWO NEW POSSIBLE CSS-4 ICBM SILOS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED WITHIN 25 KM OF THE CITY OF JINGXIAN AND APPROXIMATELY 40 KM NORTH-NORTHWEST OF THE TONGDAO MISSILE LAUNCH COMPLEX, SSM ONE POSSIBLE SILO, JINGXIAN PROBABLE SSM LAUNCH SITE 1, IS IN A NEWLY IDENTIFIED SSM CONSTRUCTION AREA. THE SECOND POSSIBLE SILO, JINGXIAN PROBABLE SSM LAUNCH SITE 2 WAS PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED AS TONGDAO PROBABLE SSM LAUNCH SITE 3. TWO ADDITIONAL NEW AREAS OF CONSTRUCTION, A POSSIBLE DRIVE-THROUGH TUNNEL AND AN SSM CONSTRUCTION SITE, ARE IN A STAGE OF CONSTRUCTION TOO EARLY TO TYPE; HOWEVER, THEY ARE CONSIDERED LIKELY LOCATIONS FOR NEW CSS-4 SILO CONSTRUCTION.

(SWN) JINGXIAN PROBABLE SSM LAUNCH SITE 1 (GRAPHIC 2) IS SITUATED IN THE FLOOR OF A VALLEY 11 KM SOUTHWEST OF THE CITY OF JINGXIAN. IT CONSISTS OF A CIRCULAR, POSSIBLE SILO EXCAVATION COVERED BY A LARGE CAMOUFLAGE NET AND AT LEAST ONE CAVE OBSCURED BY A SMALLER CAMOUFLAGE NET. A CONSTRUCTION WORKERS HOUSING AND SUPPORT CAMP IS ALONG THE ACCESS ROAD.

(SWN) JINGXIAN PROBABLE SSM LAUNCH SITE 2 HAD FORMERLY BEEN IDENTIFIED AS A PROBABLE CSS-3 ROLLOUT LAUNCH SITE UNDER CONSTRUCTION. THIS WAS BASED ON THE IDENTIFICATION OF AN SSM CONSTRUCTION AREA WITHIN A KNOWN CSS-3 DEPLOYMENT COMPLEX AND THE PRESENCE OF EXTENSIVE CAMOUFLAGE NETTING OVER ONE END OF THE VALLEY. IMAGERY REVEALED THAT A SHELTER, SIMILAR TO THOSE FOUND AT A CSS-4 SILO NEAR LUONING AND AT A POSSIBLE CSS-4 SILO AT LUSHI, WAS SUSPENDED ABOVE THE VALLEY FLOOR AND COVERED BY CAMOUFLAGE NETTING (GRAPHIC 3). IT WAS POSSIBLE TO VIEW A SMALL PORTION OF THE SURFACE UNDERNEATH ONE EDGE OF THE SHELTER, BUT NO EVIDENCE OF SILO

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